ISSAIL RHEA AND OFFER TO AID NOEL

Men Said to Be Promi nent in Democratic Party Side With Republican.

NOTED LAWYER WRITES TO HIM

west for several days summoning wit-nesses, returned last night, and he de-clares that a large number called for both sides will arrive here this morn-

said election and electro the high of creased but a tool for said Rhea, of the rily of Bristol, Va., and a warm supporter of said Rhea, and the porter of said Rhea and the control of the

Names of Witnesses.

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"If the investigation is not to be a farce, and a full and fair investigation is to be had and made, let the Senate committee summon the following named parties from this county, who are able to speak as I have above indicated, namely:

parties from this county, who are able to speak as I have above indicated, namely:

"J. F. Richmond, clerk of the court for Scott county (spa, wim duces to jum), to bring the three aforesaid poll books, which will speak for themselves, "J. W. Templeton (then), Judge or slection from Francis precinct, who made return of the poll book from said precinct.

"W. R. Fugate and Emmer Wolfenbarger, judges of election from Ryc Cove precinct. They will show Cowden up, who did the forgery.

"J. Henderson Wolfe, from Jennings precinct who returned the poll books to the forgery.

"J. Henderson Wolfe, from Jennings precinct who returned the poll books to the henderson which the large procinct who knows all about the inly sheet being keep on a page of the poll book, and which tally corresponds with the correct vote.

"Senator, your course in this matter is meeting with the approval of all honest citizens, and it is our hope that a fair investigation may be had, that the eriminal corruption due alone to W. F. Rhea as the originator will result in the Senate refusing to confirm his appointment, that some prominent and deserning Democrat may 'reach the plum.' Go on, do your duty, the hearts of the honest citizens of this district are with you and pray for your success. If you see names with 'judge' and other handles to them before the Senate committee (even. 'supt.'), let the committee (even. 'supt.'), let the committee know the drifting of the straws.'

Say They Are Not Democrats. It seems that something concerning It seems that something concerning these latters leaked out around the lobbles last night, and defenders of Judge Rhea were freely asserting that the writers, as they guessed them, had not always been Democrats, and had not supported the regular party ticket in some recent important elections. At any rate, the letters make interesting reading, and they will likely have a bearing one way or another upon the coming inquiry. People of all classes were anxiously inquiring yesterday and last night whether or not

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SAILORS ABANDON SHIP

Crew of Schoener Monley Picked Up by Phashing Stemer.

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NEWPORT NEWS, VA. January 27.—
Capitain P. Harper and cight seamen, belonging to the crew of American schooner Helen G. Monley, were brought into this port to-day by the British steamship Earl of Carrick and the schooner Monley, waterleged and dispendence of the schooner Monley, waterleged and dispendence of the committee of the committees, and will to day be reported favorably in both bottom if she had not been laden with a cargo of pine, loaded at Savannah for Boston.

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Saturday, wearing them and the bill reaches the floor there will probably be oven livelier times than have yet the one seen.

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Friends of Nominee Attack the Record of Men Who Sent Letters—Judge Phlegar to Assist in Defense—Hearing Will Begin This Afternoon.

Unexpected developments yesterday intensified public interest in the Rhea investigation, which will begin hefore the General Assembly's Joint Committee on Confirmation this afternoon at 20 clock in the Senate chamber, and which promises to furnish a sensation in legislative circles before it is over the senate of policy of

BARGE SINKS

The Mascot Goes Down and Captain of Anthony and Family Battle for Life.

NORFOLK, VA. January 27.—Bringing in a thrilling story of the sinking of the big barge Mascot Sunday night, off Thimble Shoals Lighthouse, laid in the and of the miraculous escape of his the house, it is the house, it is the story.

CAUTHORN REMOVED

a westlound train to-night for Pulaski or Wytheville, on account of the continued reports of an effort to lynch him. It is said a mob was informed last night, but the jaller was informed and spirited the prisoner away, and when this was known, together with the heavy storm which immediately followed, no attempt was made. Cauthorn seemed greatly frightened and strongly objected to going away, believing he was safer here than elsewhere.

where.

The sentiment is very strong against the prisoner, and instead of abating is increasing, as new facts develop showing the careful proparations he made before committing the murder. He will be indicted on February 5th and tried immediately. He still maintains his indifferent and stoical manner, and shows no regret for his deed.

SMALLPOX PREVENTS TRIAL

Unable to Secure Important Witnesses in the Ack Hale Case.

[Sneedal to The Times-Dispatch 1]
BRISTOL, VA., January 27.—The case of Ack Hale, chargad with the murder of Lille Davis in East Hill Cemetery here hast March was called for a secrad trial in the Creuit Court at Blountville to-day, but was continued unon afficient of counsel for the prosecution that material witnesses could not be had on secount of smallpox in the county. The defense announced that they were ready. The case goes over until the May term.

LIVES LOST IN THE STORM

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Eleven Reported Drowned From Barges
Durling High Wind.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., January 27.—
Belated reports to the maritime exchange brings information of mishape to barges with the probable drowning of cleven persons off the New Jersey coast do ng last week's storm, and the neighbors aweke they found that the house had disappeared like magic, and amid the charred coals, in an unrecognizable mass, were the seven bodies. Of the found, The flammes, fanned by a fearful work so effectually that none could have been identified except that they have had disappeared like magic, and amid the charred coals, in an unrecognizable mass, were the seven bodies. Of the found, The flammes, fanned by a fearful work so effectually that none could have been identified except that they found that the house had disappeared like magic, and amid the charred coals, in an unrecognizable mass, were the seven bodies. Of the found, The flammes, fanned by a fearful work so effectually that none could have been identified except that they found that the house had disappeared like magic, and amid the charred coals, in an unrecognizable mass, were the seven bodies. Of the found, The flammes, fanned by a fearful work so effectually that none could have been identified except that they found that the house had disappeared like magic, and amid the charred coals, in an unrecognizable mass, were the seven bodies. Of the found, The flammes, fanned by a fearful work so effectually that none could have been identified the found.

TWO MORE FIRE VICTIMS

FUNERAL ON SLEIGHS

Snow Forces Funeral Procession Abandon Wheeled Vehicles.

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[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

WINCHESTER, VA., January 27.—
In order to hold funeral services over
the remains of Mrs. David Griffin, who
died in Hampshire county, W. Va., a
few days ago, it was necessary yesterday to abandon hearse and carriages
and obtain sleds, as wheeled vehicles
were unable to get through the huse
snowdritts. After many difficulties the
coffin containing the corpse was finally
taken to the Christian Church cemetery, across the mountains, and interred.

LIGHTNING TEARS SHOE OFF

Brs. Crossman Has Almost Miraculous
Excape From Death.
[Sneetal to The Immes-Dimatch I
BRISTOL, VA. January 27.—A miraculous escape from death by lightning
was reported to-day following a fierce
thunder-storm in Bristol last night.
A boit of lightning that partially
wrecked the home of Frank Crossman literally tore the since from one of
Mrs. Crossman's feet without doing her
further injury than to painfully burn
her toes. Her son, Glin Crossman,
was injured. Both required the attention of a physician.

It did not take the Senate committee long to consider and vote unanimously for the unconditional repeal yesterday afternoon, but on the House side conditions were different. There was decided opposition, that committee going into executive session at 10 A. M. and adjourning at noon, without having reached a decision. It is true that all this time was not taken up in considering the matter, as other bills were up before the committee which reconvened at 8 o'clock last night. Strong speeches were made again on both bers voted for unconditional repeal and four against reporting the bill. Those voting in the negative were Delegates Withers, Cooke, Throckmorton and Churchman.

Sense of the members of both committees said they would reserve the right to change their vote for any amendment that may be effered after the bill reaches the floor, should they so desire.

ASK FOR MORE TIME

FIRE IN CHICAGO HOTEL

Despite the threatening nature of the fire hard work by the firemen confined it to the three structures.

LESS EXPANSION OF CREDIT

This, Rather Than more, the Country's Need. Says Mr. Forgan.

NEW YORK, January 27.—Speaking of the financial bills offered as a panacea for present financial troubles, David R. Forgan, president of the National City Bank of Chicago, in a toast to-night on the "Chicago view" at the City of New York, comprising group eight, of the New York State Bankers of the City of New York State Bankers, Association, at the Waldorf, declared that in his judgment the country needed less, not more expansion of credit. Mr. Forgan opposed strongly Mr. Bryan's proposition of "government guarantee of all deposits of the national banks as a remedy for existing financial crils. Among those at the guests' table were J. Plerpont Morgan, and Comptoller of the Currency Ridge-lay. Mr. Forgan's speech occasioned much applause.

Contained some 1,600 words.

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INSANITY OF THAW "MANIAC DEPRESSIVE"

This Experts' Explanation Why Millionaire Slew White.

LONDON DOCTORS TELL OF ILLNESS

Dr. Wells the First to Define the Species of Insanity from Which the Patient Suffered-Defense Rests Case and

the End Is Nearing.

NEW YORK, January 27 .- The Thay

the night trip across the river.

Thaw seemed delighted at the prospects of the outing.
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DISTRIBUTE CARS FAIRLY

DEATH IN TORNADO'S PATH

LOSS NEARLY A MILLION

Portland's Wholesale District Visited by Disastrous Fire.

PORTLAND, ME., January 27.—A dozen business houses in the wholesalg district suspended business to-day because of the fire which destroyed the brick block containing the wholesale dry goods establishment of Millken, Cousens & Company, and the shoe jobing house of A. F. Cox & Son last hight and to-day.

Revised estimates place the aggregate losses at \$830,000 and the insur-

KILLED BY HIS OWN GUN

Match lu Manison.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

LURAY, VA., January '7.—Morgan

d, who lived in Madison county about

ur miles from the Page county line,

we recidentally shot and killed at a

GLADYS VANDERBILT BRIDE AND COUNTESS

Her Marriage to Hungarian Nobleman Was Most Brilliant.

TAKES PLACE IN BRIDE'S HOME

Great Crowd of the Curious Gathers Around Fifth Avenue Mansion, but to No Purpose. Given Away by Cornelius. The Attendants-The

NEW YORK, January 27.—Miss Gladys Vanderbitt, daughter of Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbitt, was married to Count Laszlo Szechenyi, a young Hungarian nobleman, in the Fifth Avenue home of Mrs. Vanderbitt at noon to-day.

The wedding was probably the most brilliant that has taken piace in this city, for several years. Although the

Bride's Gown.

gervar, the Austrian amba the United States; James 1 British ambassador, and seve prominent members of New ciety.

for the streets surrounding the Vanderbit residence were patrolled and kept clear by a force of nearly 100 policemen. Police lines were draws across Fifty-seventh and Fifty-eighth Streets, between which two streets the house atands, and the uninvited public was permitted on the Fifth Avenue sidewalk in front of the house.

They gathered in large numbers in the square in front of the Plaza Hotel, but their curiosity was satisfied only by witnessing the arrival of the count and the guests. From 11 until 12 o'clock

HEAR DANVILLE'S COMPLAINT ance of orchids, to the alar. Come Scachenyl was attended by his broad-

Adjoining the burning screekers of the partiality completed sixteen story building of the Corn Exchange story building s